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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 12-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 05/12/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 05/05/07
Broiler/fryer	167,816	164,960
Light hens	1,137	1,340
Heavy hens	1,575	1,327

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 05-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	294	0	294
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	306	0	306
Same week yr ago	152	0	152
To-date/2007	3,993	14	4,007
To-date/2006	4,251	10	4,261

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,525	1,324	2,850
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,462	1,432	2,894
Same week yr ago	1,273	1,530	2,803
To-date/2007	24,192	24,341	48,533
To-date/2006	25,656	25,918	51,574

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 05-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	165,839	1,232	1,324	2,556
Avg Wt	5.44	3.33	8.17	5.84
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	161,364	1,156	1,432	2,588
Same wk yr ago	154,172	1,121	1,530	2,651
Avg Wt	5.39	3.23	8.02	5.99
To-date/2007	2,833,308	20,199	24,327	44,526
To-date/2006	2,890,341	21,405	25,908	47,313

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 164.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.9 million head, or 3.3 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 05-May-07

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	43,387	82,830	26,936	12,686	165,839
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.36	6.96	8.30	5.44
% of total /1	26%	50%	16%	8%	100%
Last week	40,862	77,296	30,866	12,340	161,364
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.40	6.84	8.26	5.50
% of total /1	25%	48%	19%	8%	100%
Year Ago 2/	48,292	70,815	21,448	13,617	154,172
Avg Live Wgt	3.89	5.43	6.80	8.30	5.39
% of total /1	31%	46%	14%	9%	100%
To date/2007	763,102	1,449,321	407,968	212,917	2,833,308
To date/2006	839,074	1,381,323	416,847	253,097	2,890,341

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 05-May-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,734	2,667	17	12	4,430
Avg Wt	16.35	38.15	26.12	33.76	29.56
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,951	2,594	12	3	4,560
Same wk yr ago	2,114	2,315	15	6	4,450
Avg Wt	16.51	38.38	25.81	31.19	27.94
To-date/2007	33,371	45,355	254	85	79,065
To-date/2006	33,152	44,182	435	105	77,874

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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